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Serial No.: 09/474,642) Customer No.: 00919
Filed: December 29, 1999) Group Art Unit: 3629
Confirmation No.: 2513) Examiner: Richard Sukyoon Woo
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING REFUNDS FOR A
POSTAGE METERING SYSTEM

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
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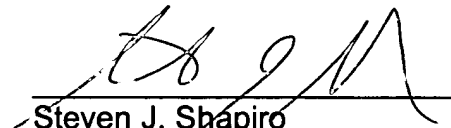
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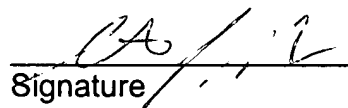
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